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PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Cartlege

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For: Implantable devices for controlling the
internal circumference of an anatomic
orifice or lumen

Group No.: 3731

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Introductory Comments

This is in response to the office action mailed 12/14/2005.

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